

# The Jordan Rules Sam Smith

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## **Driven from Within** - Michael Jordan

2012-12-25

'A part of all those people who helped me along the way can be found in everything I have done and continue to do. I had some great teachers - and I listened to what they had to say.' - Michael Jordan A global icon in sports, style and business, Michael Jordan is famous for his unrivalled athletic ability, his fierce determination, and his grace under pressure. In **DRIVEN FROM WITHIN**, he makes it clear that his phenomenal success is thanks in large part to the teachers, mentors and friends who have guided him throughout his life. Here is a book about the power of collaboration and teamwork, the energy that is released when people share their gifts and hard-won knowledge. With almost two million copies of his three previous books in print, Michael Jordan has proven himself to be as strong a performer in bookstores as he is on the court. Lavishly illustrated and beautifully designed, this is Michael Jordan's most intimate book to date. Organized around the qualities that Jordan demonstrates in his own life and that he looks for in others - qualities like authenticity, integrity, passion and commitment - **DRIVEN FROM WITHIN** is an inspiring record of an extraordinary life.

## **Michael & Me** - Richard Esquinas 1993

Shares the author's experiences of excessive gambling with Michael Jordan, and tells how he overcame his addiction

## **Michael Jordan and the New Global Capitalism (New Edition)** - Walter LaFeber

2002-09-17

Explains the processes of American cultural

imperialism in the age of globalization, using professional basketball as an example of hyper-capitalism.

## **Hard Labor** - Sam Smith 2017-11-01

Oscar Robertson is known as one of the best players in NBA history, a triple-double machine who set the stage for the versatility of today's NBA superstars like LeBron James, Russell Westbrook, and Draymond Green. But The Big O's larger legacy may lie in spearheading the fight for his fellow players' financial equity and free agency, joined by fellow stars John Havlicek, Bill Bradley, Wes Unseld, and more. In **Hard Labor**, Sam Smith, best-selling basketball scribe emeritus and author of *The Jordan Rules*, unearths this incredible and untold fight for players' rights and examines the massive repercussions for the NBA and sports in the United States in the 40 years since. Diving into how "The 14" paved the way for the record-setting paydays for today's NBA players - stars and role players alike - as well as the harsh consequences faced by those involved in the lawsuit against the NBA, **Hard Labor** is an essential read for both NBA and sports fans alike.

## **More Than a Game** - Phil Jackson 2011-01-04

**More than a Game** covers the years that follow the one featured in the ESPN documentary series "The Last Dance." After leaving the Bulls at the end of the 1997-1998 season—the year featured in the new ESPN documentary series "The Last Dance"—Phil Jackson had one year off and started to write this book—together with his old friend, fellow player and coach, the basketball novelist Charley Rosen. Then Phil

took the LA Lakers coaching job, Rosen followed him there, and by the time they finished writing this book it was 2000 and Phil had won yet another NBA championship, the first of five he would win with his new team. In *More than a Game*, Jackson and Rosen look backward to their origins as players and coaches, forward to the future of the game of basketball, and linger in the moving target of the present—lavishing page after page on the Triangle Offense and all the ways it reveals the essence of the game of basketball they both love so much. This is Jackson in his prime, transitioning from the Bulls to the Lakers, a master of the art of winning, who would go on to claim more NBA championships, eleven, than any other coach in NBA history. As he writes in *More than a Game* of his newest championship team: "We won because our fundamentals were sound, because Shaq was so dominant and Kobe was so creative, but we also won because we developed a certain confidence in our ability to win."

*I Should Be Dead By Now* - Dennis Rodman  
2013-02-19

Whether it was helping Michael Jordan and the Chicago Bulls win three consecutive NBA titles in the 1990s, or showing up to a book signing in a dress and full makeup, Dennis Rodman has always distinguished himself as one of the great and most polarizing personalities in the sports world. The controversial and flamboyant former basketball star is back in the national spotlight once again with *I Should Be Dead By Now*. This riveting book from the two-time best-selling author details Rodman's struggles in life since he stopped playing in the NBA, including the breakup of his marriage to movie and TV star Carmen Electra, and his problems with alcohol. *I Should Be Dead By Now* is a look at the life of one of America's most recognizable sports stars as he journeys beyond the court and into the Naismith Basketball Hall of Fame.

**Playing for Keeps** - David Halberstam  
2012-12-18

The Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist looks at the life and times of the Chicago Bulls superstar—"The best Jordan book so far" (*The Washington Post*). One of sport's biggest superstars, Michael Jordan is more than an internationally renowned athlete. As illuminated through David Halberstam's trademark balance of impeccable

research and fascinating storytelling, Jordan symbolizes the apex of the National Basketball Association's coming of age. Long before multimillion-dollar signings and lucrative endorsements, NBA players worked in relative obscurity, with most games woefully unattended and rarely broadcast on television. Then came Larry Bird and Magic Johnson, Jordan's two great predecessors, and the game's status changed. The new era capitalized on Jordan's talent, will power, and unrivaled competitiveness. In *Playing for Keeps*, Halberstam is at his investigative best, delving into Jordan's expansive world of teammates and coaches. The result is a gripping story of the athlete and media powerhouse who changed a game forever. This ebook features an extended biography of David Halberstam.

**Blood on the Horns** - Roland Lazenby  
2013-02-13

"A must read!" —USA TODAY How big was the pressure? How deep was the division? Those were the questions that would beg answering long after the Chicago Bulls had completed their strife-ridden 1997-98 season in the National Basketball Association. **BLOOD ON THE HORNS** details the infighting & conflict between Jordan, coach Phil Jackson, teammate Scottie Pippen and the team's general manager, Jerry Krause, and managing partner, Jerry Reinsdorf. Through exclusive interviews with the team and staff, Lazenby expertly recreates the drama of 1997-98 and the Bulls' struggle to remain a team.

**Formula 1 Technical Analysis 2016/2018** - Giorgio Piola  
2019-09-03

The last edition of an automotive literary classic: the technical analysis of Formula 1 penned by Giorgio Piola. After 25 years of publication, the historic draughtsman is bringing the curtain down on this experience with a volume that examines the last three seasons, from 2016 to 2018, as always reviewing the principal technical innovations in the spheres of chassis and engine design. This three-year analysis is appropriately completed with a retrospective of some of Piola's most important drawings from a 50-year career that began back in 1969. *Formula 1 Technical Analysis* is the only book of its kind that unveils all the technical secrets - even the most carefully hidden ones - of the Formula 1

World Championship cars. Engines, chassis, brakes, tires, this is an especially rigorous analysis of the car, but also their steering wheels and suspension. An essential for real Formula 1 enthusiasts for almost 30 years, this annual, this book also reviews in its second part the main new technical developments devised by the various teams during the covered seasons. The book is illustrated by more than 500 color technical designs, created by Piola himself.

**When the Game was Ours** - Larry Bird 2009

With intimate, fly-on-the-wall detail, "When the Game Was Ours" transports readers to an electric era of basketball and reveals for the first time the inner workings of two players--Larry Bird and Earvin "Magic" Johnson--dead set on besting one another.

Jordan Rules - Sam Smith 2018

*Congressional Record* - United States. Congress 1967

**Unguarded** - Scottie Pippen 2021-11-09

INSTANT NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER This unflinching "master class" (The New York Times) of a memoir from two-time Olympic gold medalist and NBA Hall of Famer reveals how Scottie Pippen, the youngest of twelve, overcame two family tragedies and universal disregard by college scouts to become an essential component of the greatest basketball dynasty of the last fifty years. Scottie Pippen has been called one of the greatest NBA players for good reason. Simply put, without Pippen, there are no championship banners—let alone six—hanging from the United Center rafters. There's no Last Dance documentary. There's no "Michael Jordan" as we know him. The 1990s Chicago Bulls teams would not exist as we know them. So how did the youngest of twelve go from growing up poor in the small town of Hamburg, Arkansas, enduring two family tragedies along the way, to become a revered NBA legend? How did the scrawny teen, overlooked by every major collegiate basketball program, go on to become the fifth overall pick in the 1987 NBA Draft? And, perhaps most compelling, how did Pippen set aside his ego (and his own limitless professional ceiling) in order for the Bulls to become the most dominant basketball dynasty of the last half century? In *Unguarded*, the six-time

champion and two-time Olympic gold medalist finally opens up to offer pointed and transparent takes on Michael Jordan, Phil Jackson, and Dennis Rodman, among others. Pippen details how he cringed at being labeled Jordan's sidekick, and discusses how he could have (and should have) received more respect from the Bulls' management and the media. Pippen reveals never-before-told stories about some of the most famous games in league history, including the 1994 playoff game against the New York Knicks when he took himself out with 1.8 seconds to go. He discusses what it was like dealing with Jordan on a day-to-day basis, while serving as the facilitator for the offense and the anchor for the defense. Pippen is finally giving millions of adoring basketball fans what they crave; an unvarnished, "closely observed, and uncommonly modest" (Kirkus Reviews) look into his life and role within one of the greatest, most popular teams of all time.

**Steve Kerr** - Scott Howard-Cooper 2021-06-15

"Thrilling." —Publishers Weekly (starred) | "Riveting." —Library Journal (starred) | "A fascinating look at a fascinating life." —Roland Lazenby, author of *Michael Jordan: The definitive biography of Steve Kerr, the championship-winning basketball player and head coach of the record-breaking Golden State Warriors* Few individuals have had a career as storied, and improbable, as Steve Kerr. He has won eight NBA titles—five as a player and three as a coach—for three different franchises. He played alongside the best players of a generation, from Michael Jordan to Shaquille O'Neal to Tim Duncan, and learned the craft of basketball under four legendary coaches. He was an integral part of two famed NBA dynasties. Perhaps no other figure in basketball history has had a hand in such greatness. In *Steve Kerr*, award-winning sports journalist Scott Howard-Cooper uncovers the fascinating life story of a basketball legend. Kerr did not follow a traditional path to the NBA. He was born in Beirut to two academics and split his childhood between California and the Middle East. Though he was an impressive shooter, the undersized Kerr garnered almost no attention from major college programs, managing only at the last moment to snag the final scholarship at the University of Arizona. Then, during his freshman

season at Arizona, tragedy struck. His father, Malcolm, then the president of the American University of Beirut, was assassinated in Lebanon by terrorists. Forged by the crucible of this family saga, Steve went on to chart an unparalleled life in basketball, on the court and on the sidelines. The only coach other than Red Auerbach to lead a team to the Finals five consecutive seasons, Kerr seems destined for the Basketball Hall of Fame. Steve Kerr is his incredible story, offering insights into the man and what it takes to be—and make—a champion. Drawing upon Scott Howard-Cooper's years covering Warriors, deep archival research, and original interviews with more than one hundred of the central characters in Kerr's life, this is basketball biography at its finest.

**Michael Jordan** - Steve James 2017-07-04

"Always turn a negative situation into a positive situation" - His Airness, Michael Jordan The path to success in life is often hard-and when it comes to transforming that hardship into enduring success, it's all too easy for many people to give up. For Michael Jordan, however, obstacles were simply a key to better innovation and reaching a new solution. In this Michael Jordan biography, you'll discover about the life and times of one of basketball's most famous players and ambassadors and how you can take his secrets for success and apply them to your own life. The muscular powerhouse dominated basketball courts in the 1980s and 1990s - and in this book, you'll discover the training regime that built his intimidating physique while giving him the nimble gracefulness to leave opponents in the dust. Outside the court, you'll discover his successes and rare failures, and the mind-set he used to turn even the worst situations into something better - by applying these tips to your own life, you'll discover the silver lining in every cloud that enables you to brush off failures as a simple roadblock to what you truly want. With a comprehensive biography following MJ's career from high school to the NBA - and achievements outside of Hollywood and Air Jordan deals with Nike - you'll learn all about the creation of the Michael Jordan legend-and how YOU can become your own. While there are many Michael Jordan books out there, only a few talks about the secrets of his success and what it takes to make it to the top. Readers will benefit from this

book by learning: \* All about Michael Jordan: his life, career, playing style, and beyond... \* His key to success both on the court and off the court \* Lifetime achievements \* What workouts he uses \* His training regimen, habits, and how he deals with failures \* Plenty of hidden gems about MJ! This comprehensive biography of Michael Jordan is the Inside Story - it's everything you want to know about this outstanding athlete, how he became legendary, and how he maintains his status as a legend even decades after his career began. Where so many other players crash and burn after only a few years, he has remained as one of the top players. This book will inspire you to be the best and it will give you the steps to actually get there. As a BONUS, you'll also receive tips for being like Mike, for developing his mindset. This book also includes: \* MJ's rituals, superstitions, and biggest fears \* The story behind the number 23 \* Famous people that have taken their inspiration from Michael Jordan \* His basketball philosophy and techniques Jordan uses in field \* His biggest failures and how he overcame them \* Top motivational lessons that can be learned from this inspiring athlete \* And more! Discover how you can apply a world-famous basketball player's approach to life to your own in order to break through your own barriers and get a slam dunk you desire Would You Like To Know More? Download now to start reading about the legendary life and approach of Jordan and how you can forge your own path to the top in sport, business and your personal life. Scroll to the top of the page and select the buy button.

**Friday Night Lights, 25th Anniversary Edition** - H.G. Bissinger 2015-08-11

Return once again to the timeless account of the Permian Panthers of Odessa--the winningest high-school football team in Texas history. Odessa is not known to be a town big on dreams, but the Panthers help keep the hopes and dreams of this small, dusty town going. Socially and racially divided, its fragile economy follows the treacherous boom-bust path of the oil business. In bad times, the unemployment rate barrels out of control; in good times, its murder rate skyrockets. But every Friday night from September to December, when the Permian High School Panthers play football, this West Texas town becomes a place where dreams can

come true. With frankness and compassion, H. G. Bissinger chronicles a season in the life of Odessa and shows how single-minded devotion to the team shapes the community and inspires--and sometimes shatters--the teenagers who wear the Panthers' uniforms.

*Pacific Rims* - Rafe Bartholomew 2010-06-01

A young man's journey through the Philippines' most unlikely obsession: basketball. In *Pacific Rims*, Rafe Bartholomew, journalist, New Yorker, and veteran baller, ventures through the Philippines to investigate the country's love of basketball. From street corners where diehards fashion hoops out of old car parts to the professional league where politicians exploit team loyalties to win elections, *Pacific Rims* gets the story--and gets in the game.

**Design of Steel Structures** - Luís Simões da Silva 2012-01-09

This book introduces the fundamental design concept of Eurocode 3 for current steel structures in building construction, and their practical application. Following a discussion of the basis of design, including the principles of reliability management and the limit state approach, the material standards and their use are detailed. The fundamentals of structural analysis and modeling are presented, followed by the design criteria and approaches for various types of structural members. The theoretical basis and checking procedures are closely tied to the Eurocode requirements. The following chapters expand on the principles and applications of elastic and plastic design, each exemplified by the step-by-step design calculation of a braced steel-framed building and an industrial building, respectively. Besides providing the necessary theoretical concepts for a good understanding, this manual intends to be a supporting tool for the use of practicing engineers. In order of this purpose, throughout the book, numerous worked examples are provided, concerning the analysis of steel structures and the design of elements under several types of actions. These examples will facilitate the acceptance of the code and provide for a smooth transition from earlier national codes to the Eurocode.

*Season on the Brink* - John Feinstein 2012-12-11  
A *Season on the Brink* chronicles the basketball season that John Feinstein spent following the

Indiana Hoosiers and their fiery coach, Bob Knight. Knight granted Feinstein an unprecedented inside look at college basketball -- with complete access to every moment of the season. Feinstein saw and heard it all -- practices, team meetings, strategy sessions, and mid-game huddles -- during Knight's struggle to avoid a losing season. *A Season on the Brink* not only captures the drama and pressure of big-time college basketball but paints a vivid portrait of a complex, brilliant coach walking a fine line between genius and madness.

**When Nothing Else Matters** - Michael Leahy 2012-12-11

As one of the greatest, most celebrated athletes in history, Michael Jordan conquered professional basketball as no one before. Powered by a potent mix of charisma, near superhuman abilities and a ferocious drive to dominate the game, he achieved every award and accolade conceivable before retiring from the Chicago Bulls and taking an executive post with the Washington Wizards. But retirement didn't suit the man who was once king, and at the advanced age of thirty-eight Michael Jordan decided it was time to reclaim the court that was once his. *WHEN NOTHING ELSE MATTERS* is the definitive account of Jordan's equally spectacular and disastrous return to basketball. Having closely followed Jordan's final two seasons, Michael Leahy draws a fascinating portrait of an intensely complex man hampered by injuries and assaulted by younger players eager to usurp his throne. In this enthralling book Jordan emerges as an ambitious, at times deeply unattractive character with, unsurprisingly, a monstrous ego. *WHEN NOTHING ELSE MATTERS* is an absorbing portrait not only of one athlete's overriding ambition, but also of a society so in thrall to its sports stars that it is blind to all their faults.

*Mind Games* - Roland Lazenby 2013-03-05  
*MIND GAMES* follows the journey of Phil Jackson to the top of basketball's coaching hierarchy, a rise that took him from obscurity in the Continental Basketball Association to nine championship rings in the NBA. Along the way he turned multimillionaire players on to meditation, transformed the Michael Jordan-led Chicago Bulls from a one-man show to a five-man team of domination, and after battling with

Bulls management, ended one dynasty to start another on the West Coast. Sportswriter Roland Lazenby, author of the bestselling *BLOOD ON THE HORNS*, reveals the fascinating story of Jackson's life, from his years with the New York Knicks under the legendary Red Holzman to his remarkable nine championships coaching first the Chicago Bulls and then the Los Angeles Lakers. In *MIND GAMES* Lazenby compellingly portrays a man with a unique determination to control the competitive environment he inhabits. A clear picture of the Jackson mystique emerges: philosopher, teacher, manipulator, counselor, psychologist, shaman, champion, master of mind games. Originally published in 2007, now available in eBook format for the first time.

**Dream Team** - Jack McCallum 2013-04-09  
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER Acclaimed sports journalist Jack McCallum delivers the untold story of the greatest team ever assembled: the 1992 U.S. Olympic Men's Basketball Team. As a writer for *Sports Illustrated*, McCallum enjoyed a courtside seat for the most exciting basketball spectacle on earth, covering the Dream Team from its inception to the gold medal ceremony in Barcelona. Drawing on fresh interviews with the players, McCallum provides the definitive account of the Dream Team phenomenon. He offers a behind-the-scenes look at the controversial selection process. He takes us inside the team's Olympic suites for late-night card games and bull sessions where superstars like Michael Jordan, Magic Johnson, and Larry Bird debated the finer points of basketball. And he narrates a riveting account of the legendary intrasquad scrimmage that pitted the Dream Teamers against one another in what may have been the greatest pickup game in history. In the twenty years since the Dream Team first captivated the world, its mystique has only grown. *Dream Team* vividly re-creates the moment when a once-in-a-millennium group of athletes came together and changed the future of sports—one perfectly executed fast break at a time. With a new Afterword by the author "The absolute definitive work on the subject, a perfectly wonderful once-you-pick-it-up-you-won't-be-able-to-put-it-down book."—*The Boston Globe* "An Olympic hoops dream."—*Newsday* "What makes this volume a must-read for

nostalgic hoopsters are the robust portraits of the outsize personalities of the participants, all of whom were remarkably open with McCallum, both then and now."—Booklist (starred review)

**Gym Candy** - Carl Deuker 2008-09-22

"Look, Mick," he said, "you're going to find out from somebody in the gym, so you might as well find out from me. Those supplements you're taking? They might get you a little bigger, but just a little. If you're after serious results, there's other stuff that produces better results much faster, stuff that a lot of guys in the gym use." "What other stuff?" "You know what I'm talking about—gym candy." Runningback Mick Johnson has dreams: dreams of cutting back, finding the hole, breaking into the open, and running free with nothing but green grass ahead. He has dreams of winning and of being the best. But football is a cruel sport. It requires power, grace, speed, quickness, and knowledge of the game. It takes luck, too. One crazy bounce can turn a likely victory into sudden defeat. What elite athlete wouldn't look for an edge? A way to make him bigger, stronger, faster? This novel explores the dark corners of the heart of a young football player as he struggles for success under the always glaring—and often unforgiving—stadium lights.

**Modern South India** - Rajmohan Gandhi 2017-01-03

The South India story attempted here is of a peninsular region influenced by the oceans, not by the Himalayas. Yet it is more than that. It is a story of facets of four powerful cultures—Kannada, Malayalam, Tamil and Telugu, to name them in alphabetical order—and yet more than that, for Kodava, Konkani, Marathi, Oriya and Tulu cultures have also influenced it, as also other older and possibly more indigenous cultures often seen as tribal, as well as cultures originating in other parts of India and the world. With South India's Malayalam region being (in modern times) the most balanced in terms of religion and also the most literate, its Kannada zone occupying South India's geographical centre and containing the sites of the Vijayanagara kingdom and also the kingdom of Haidar and Tipu, its Telugu portion the largest in area and holding the most people, and its Tamil part the most Dravidian and possessing the oldest literature, the four principal cultures

are, unsurprisingly, competitive. But they are also complementary. This is a Dravidian story, and also more than that. It is a story involving four centuries, the seventeenth, eighteenth, nineteenth and twentieth, yet other periods intrude upon it...

**The Jordan Rules** - Sam Smith 2012-07-26

The New York Times Bestseller, updated With a New Introduction This is the 20th anniversary of the explosive bestseller that changed the way the world viewed one of the greatest athletes in history, revealing for the first time Michael Jordan's relentless drive to win anything and everything, at any cost. NBA Hall of Fame columnist Sam Smith had unlimited access to the team and its players during their championship 1991-92 season, which he details in the new introduction, along with candid revelations about his sources, and the reaction from Michael, his teammates, the media, and the fans when the book blasted onto the bestseller lists in 1992 (where it stayed for three months). With more than a million copies in print, *The Jordan Rules* remains the ultimate inside look at one of the most legendary teams in sports history.

**Moneyball (Movie Tie-in Edition) (Movie Tie-in Editions)** - Michael Lewis 2011-08-22

Explains how Billy Beene, the general manager of the Oakland Athletics, is using a new kind of thinking to build a successful and winning baseball team without spending enormous sums of money.

[There Is No Next](#) - Sam Smith 2014-10-28

Thirty years after Michael Jordan's first NBA game comes an oral history of his legendary career, told by the men who played with him and against him, coached him, and witnessed first-hand the iconic greatness of the most dominant athlete sports has ever seen. Featuring interviews with: Larry Bird • Magic Johnson • Phil Jackson • Reggie Miller • Isiah Thomas • Reggie Theus • Chris Mullin • Doug Collins • Dominique Wilkins • Steve Kerr • John Paxson • David Stern • Gregg Popovich • Derek Harper • Bill Walton • Karl Malone • Horace Grant • Joe Dumars • Danny Ainge • B.J. Armstrong • Marv Albert • Grant Hill • Jerry Colangelo • Bill Cartwright • Jerry Reinsdorf • Johnny Bach • Rod Thorn • Rick Barry • Kevin Loughery • David Axelrod • President Barack Obama • and

many more! Written by Sam Smith—author of the New York Times bestseller *THE JORDAN RULES* and recent inductee into the NBA Hall of Fame—*THERE IS NO NEXT* assembles a cast of Hall-of-Famers, teammates, opponents, coaches, and others who experienced the ferocious drive and unparalleled greatness that defined Jordan's career. Packed with previously untold stories and stunning insight into Jordan and his six championships, *THERE IS NO NEXT* is the last word on why there has never been, and will never be, another Michael Jordan.

**Jonny: My Autobiography** - Jonny Wilkinson 2011-11-10

Jonny Wilkinson's career has crossed three decades and four World Cups. He has accumulated phenomenal achievements, world points records, an impressive list of broken body parts, and a drop goal that will be remembered for ever. But the peculiar calmness with which he played the game masked a very different reality. In *JONNY*, he reveals the extraordinary psychology that he had to tame in order to be able to dominate his sport. For most of his life, he was driven by a quest for perfection and an obsession to be the best player in the world; here he shows how these two facets of his competitive mind took such a hold of him that they sent him to the top of the world, then swept him up and dragged him down into a spiral of despair. Jonny's career has spanned the far reaches: amazing highs and iconic moments, then a fight against injury that culminated in a battle with depression. Here he tells of the physical toll he knew his body was taking from rugby, even from his youth; he tells of how he never wanted to be a kicking fly-half but learned to adapt his natural game to play the style that Clive Woodward believed necessary to win a World Cup, and how he nearly walked out on Martin Johnson's England team 13 years later.

*The Jordan Rules* - Sam Smith 1994

A provocative study of the image of Michael Jordan reveals his stormy relationships with his coaches and teammates, his obsession with becoming the leading scorer, and his petty feuds with other NBA stars

**Rebound** - Bob Greene 1996

The best-selling author of *Hang Time* describes the personal odyssey of Michael Jordan, including his intimate thoughts about his

father's murder, his struggle for a success in professional baseball, and his dramatic return to the NBA. 500,000 first printing. Tour.

[The Definitive Word on Michael Jordan](#) - Charles Barkley 1998

This book covers all facets of MJ's life through insight from his closest friends and intense rivals and through the works of the NBA's most talented photographers.

[The Last Season](#) - Phil Jackson 2005-10-04

An inside look at the season that proved to be the final ride of a truly great dynasty—Kobe Bryant, Shaq, and the LA Lakers For the countless basketball fans who were spellbound by the Los Angeles Lakers' 2003-2004 high-wire act, this book is a rare and phenomenal treat. In *The Last Season*, Lakers coach Phil Jackson draws on his trademark honesty and insight to tell the whole story of the season that proved to be the final ride of a truly great dynasty. From the signing of future Hall-of-Famers Karl Malone and Gary Payton to the Kobe Bryant rape case/media circus, this is a riveting tale of clashing egos, public feuds, contract disputes, and team meltdowns that only a coach, and a writer, of Jackson's candor, experience, and ability could tell. Full of tremendous human drama and offering lessons on coaching and on life, this is a book that no sports fan can possibly pass up.

[Bo Knows Bo](#) - Bo Jackson 1990

The candid autobiography of professional athlete Bo Jackson describes his troubled youth, his discovery of sports, his struggle to attend college, his athletic achievements, his family life, and his success on and off the field

**The Boy Who Saved Baseball** - John Ritter 2005-03-17

Tom Gallagher is in a tight spot. The fate of the Dillontown team rests on the outcome of one baseball game, winner take all. If Tom's team loses, they lose their field too. But how can they possibly win? Just when everything seems hopeless, a mysterious boy named Cruz de la Cruz rides into town and claims to know the secret of hitting. Not to mention the secrets of Dante Del Gato, Dillontown's greatest hitter ever. Since he walked away from the game years ago, Del Gato hasn't spoken a word to anyone. But now he might be Tom's only hope for saving his hometown. From the award-winning author

of *Over the Wall* and *Choosing Up Sides* comes this imaginative tale of one boy's struggle to preserve the spirit of the game he loves.

**The Jordan Rules** - Sam Smith 2020-11-03

Sam Smith's seminal, New York Times bestselling "eye-opener" (The San Diego Union-Tribune) on Michael Jordan and the 1990-1991 Chicago Bulls team—perfect for fans of ESPN's hit documentary series *The Last Dance*. This is the book that changed the way the world viewed Michael Jordan, while delivering nonstop excitement, tension, and thrills. *The Jordan Rules* chronicles the season that changed everything for Michael Jordan and the Chicago Bulls. After losing in the playoffs to the "Bad Boys" Detroit Pistons for three consecutive years, the Bulls finally broke through and swept the Pistons in the 1991 Eastern Conference Finals, on the way to their first NBA championship. Celebrated sportswriter Sam Smith was there for the entire ride. He reveals a candid and provocative picture of Michael Jordan during the season in which his legacy began to be defined, and seeks to figure out what drove him. *The Jordan Rules* covers everything from his stormy relationships with his coaches and teammates and power struggles with management—including verbal attacks on general manager Jerry Krause and tantrums against coach Phil Jackson—to Jordan's obsessions with becoming the leading scorer, and his refusal to pass the ball in the crucial minutes of big games. Jordan's teammates also tell their side of the story, from Scottie Pippen, to Horace Grant, to Bill Cartwright. And Phil Jackson—the former flower child who blossomed into one of the NBA's top motivators and finally found a way to coax Jordan and the Bulls to their first title—is studied up close. "Smith takes us into the locker room, aboard the team plane and team bus, and seats us on the bench during games. Sometimes, books reflecting on a team's success don't reach the personal level with the people who made it happen: *The Jordan Rules* does" (Associated Press). Discover the team behind the man, and the man behind the living legend, in this intense, fascinating inside story of the incomparable Michael Jordan.

**Rare Air** - Michael Jordan 1993

Complete before his resignation from basketball, Jordan discusses his love of the game, his family,

and his competitiveness

**Michael Jordan** - Roland Lazenby 2014-05-06

The definitive biography of a legendary athlete. The Shrug. The Shot. The Flu Game. Michael Jordan is responsible for sublime moments so ingrained in sports history that they have their own names. When most people think of him, they think of his beautiful shots with the game on the line, his body totally in sync with the ball -- hitting nothing but net. But for all his greatness, this scion of a complex family from North Carolina's Coastal Plain has a darker side: he's a ruthless competitor and a lover of high stakes. There's never been a biography that encompassed the dual nature of his character and looked so deeply at Jordan on and off the court -- until now. Basketball journalist Roland Lazenby spent almost thirty years covering Michael Jordan's career in college and the pros. He witnessed Jordan's growth from a skinny rookie to the instantly recognizable global ambassador for basketball whose business savvy and success have millions of kids still wanting to be just like Mike. Yet Lazenby also witnessed the Michael Jordan whose drive and appetite are more fearsome and more insatiable than any of his fans could begin to know. **Michael Jordan: The Life** explores both sides of his personality to reveal the fullest, most compelling story of the man who is Michael Jordan. Lazenby draws on his personal relationships with Jordan's coaches; countless interviews with Jordan's friends, teammates, and family members; and interviews with Jordan himself to provide the first truly definitive study of Michael Jordan: the player, the icon, and the man.

**The Book of Basketball** - Bill Simmons

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**The New Empire** - Walter LaFeber 1963

**The Dictator's Handbook** - Bruce Bueno de Mesquita 2011-09-27

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